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### ANNOUNCEMENT.

With this issue The Tech starts a new feature, The Hornet's Nest. A little explanation of the purposes, methods, and "raison d'etre" of this department may not be amiss.

For some time there has been a feeling that the newspaper style did not completely satisfy the wants and needs of the Institute. Something was needed aside from the cold facts to create a better understanding between all concerned by occasionally showing up matters in a manner not strictly the prim and proper news fashion. In many other colleges, the monthly accomplishes this purpose. Here, however, there is neither the time nor the desire to get out a monthly, so the present vehicle has been evolved. It makes its bow with but scant introduction, and with no promises to the future. Its mission, if it be found to have one, should be apparent as the papers come out. The present effort has much in common with an old department in The Tech known as "The Lounger." It has, however, more latitude, a rather different viewpoint, and new blood.

Several fellows gathered together in a suite are taken as the types thoroughly representative of Tech life. They are the ones that bring up all sorts of ideas, and their chronicler sets them before us all to make as much of as possible. Although these discussions will be published as frequently as possible to avoid demoralizing breaks in the sequence, quality is the first consideration and therefore no definite regularity is promised.

To insure the liveliness of these murmurings the authorship is not given. It might be well to say, however, that they are the result of the buzzings of more than three years' experience at Tech. It is hoped that all stinging as well as praising will be taken in the proper spirit, as they will be given to one and all with nothing but the best intentions.

In order to prevent narrowness in the Nest, it is hoped that all will co-operate in working for a better Tech spirit by sending in comments, criticisms and suggestions. Address the same to The Hornet's Nest, care of The Tech, and they will be given careful consideration.

With a positive and final statement that the new institution is not the authorship of any member of The Tech board, we launch forth the Hornets.

President Taft's trip down the Mississippi ended Saturday morning when he arrived at New Orleans, where he was enthusiastically welcomed.

## THE HORNET'S NEST

Well, we're back. Furthermore, we're settled: no big excitement to look forward to now but Christmas. Of course there's Field Day, which "day," however at the Massachusetts Institution for the Alleviation of Adolescent Ignorance consists of the afternoon, and then Thanksgiving when we have time out for dinner; but generally speaking, we're settled to work, petitions through, outfits renewed and quarters in order.

Speaking of quarters, we must record our continuance of abode at Mrs. Wilham's on St. Bugstone Street. Joe and I are for the fourth year living as "man and wife" in the large room in the second floor rear. The abundance of room, the cozy furnishings and above all, the cheerful wood fire, have already given promise of making our room the general headquarters of the fellows in the house. And, furthermore, to judge by the meetings already held, the place will be more of a "Cradle of Liberty" than Exchange Bureau for the Rocking Chair Fleet. As Binks says, the meetings have "some class."

But let me briefly outline the personnel of the house ere I prepare my Static Graphics. Mrs. Wilham at present is harboring six rather typical specimens of M. I. A. A. student. We live under the one roof, eat at the one table and Mrs. W. will tell you we "haze" in the one room, and that the second floor rear

First there is Jack and I. We have stuck together at the 'Stute 'til this our senior year, and live in harmony beautiful to see, despite the marked difference in our respective make-ups. I suppose I've pulled more "C's" during the past three years than has Jack, but that's about as far as I carry the honors. Jack has been prime moved from the start. He made the speech that woke up the Freshmen at the first meeting of our class, and it has been he who has done much to keep the ball rolling since, both by action and word. Whenever duty or excitement has called Jack has been first to answer.

Across the hall is Horace Homer, a new fellow who graduated last Spring from the University of Cadonia. He rooms alone and already seems like an old-timer. He is all kinds of fun, and as he seems to find much to admire in Jack, he spends all of his spare time in our room. Although Cad's Alma Mater is always foremost in his mind, he gives promise of being a splendid foster-son of the 'Stute.

Overhead is another "couple," although we hear only one person. Sam Binks makes himself known through the floor when he arises and retires. A large part of the remaining interval he is on the divan in the room below. Same is now commencing his sixth year at the Institute, and is still pursuing second year Physics, while the latter seems little tuckered out. Sam doesn't wear a little green bow in his button-hole, but he does wear a smile on his countenance that is irresistible. Irresistible to all but his room-mate, who finds time two or three times a week to go elsewhere for his smiles. "Cupid," by which cognomen Wellesley S. Radcliffe is commonly known, is what is popularly termed a "fusser." Well, he's a Course IV. man with his evenings free, so I suppose he has a legitimate right to be. His hands are never subjected to any more harrowing indignities than color rendering, and hence it is possible for them to always present an irreproachable appearance. As he is as clever in his speech and "fetching" courtesies as he is with pen and brush, it is not surprising that Cupid is a favorite with the ladies.

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